

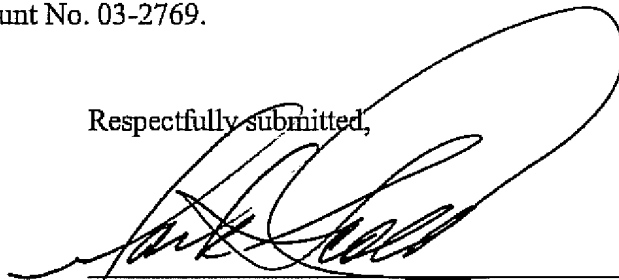
REMARKS

Receipt of the final Office action dated July 7, 2006 is acknowledged. In that action the Examiner allowed claims 1-17 and 22-24, and maintained the rejection of claims 18-21. With this Response, Applicant cancels claims 18-21 without prejudice to later asserting those claims, such as in a continuation or continuation-in-part application.

Thus, all the pending claims have been indicated as allowable.

Applicant respectfully requests a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to the Conley Rose, PC Deposit Account No. 03-2769.

Respectfully submitted,

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